



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Carolina Elementary School
Darlington County School District
Grades: 1-5 Enrollment: 272
Principal: Donna R. Barrett
Superintendent: Dr. Rainey Knight
Board Chair: Charles Govan

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2012	Excellent	Excellent	TBD	TBD	A	N/A
2011	Excellent	Average	Gold	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2010	Good	Average	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A

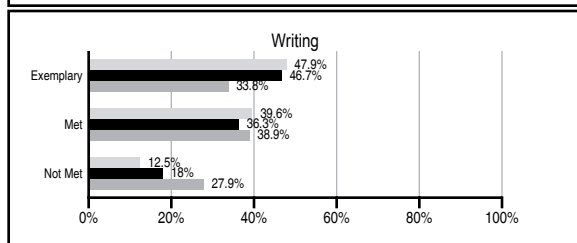
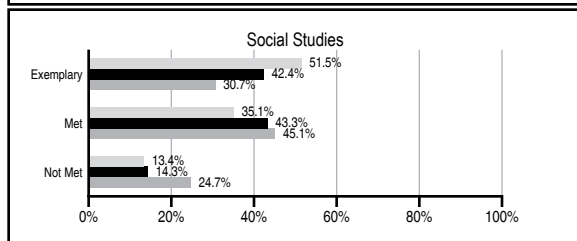
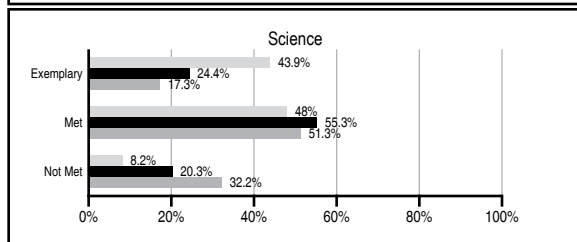
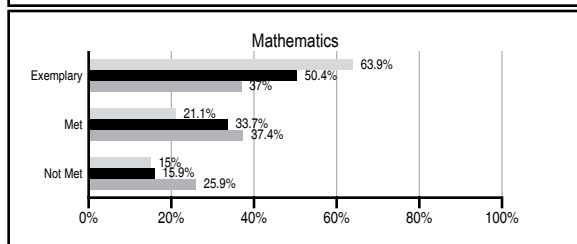
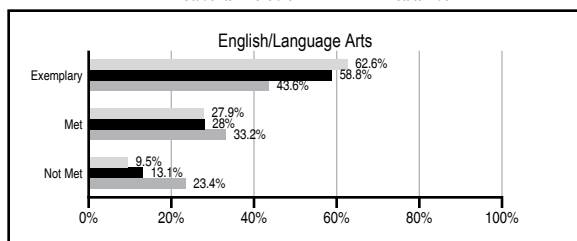
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
34	11	0	1	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2012. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours Elementary schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

Abbreviations Key

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=272)				
Retention rate	1.1%	Up from 0.8%	1.1%	1.0%
Attendance rate	97.5%	Up from 96.9%	97.0%	96.6%
Served by gifted and talented program	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
With disabilities other than speech	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Older than usual for grade	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=16)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	68.8%	No Change	68.9%	63.0%
Continuing contract teachers	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Teachers returning from previous year	87.4%	Down from 87.7%	90.4%	88.7%
Teacher attendance rate	95.5%	Up from 93.4%	95.2%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$44,443	Down 0.3%	\$48,533	\$47,210
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	37.5 days	Up from 24.5 days	8.9 days	10.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	14.0	Up from 13.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	24.1 to 1	Up from 23.0 to 1	20.9 to 1	20.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.1%	Up from 89.7%	91.5%	90.5%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 99.1%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,717	Down 2.6%	\$6,823	\$7,247
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	55.6%	Down from 57.4%	68.6%	68.2%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	54.7%	Down from 55.0%	66.6%	65.7%
ESEA composite index score	100.0	N/A	97.1	91.9

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	20	46	40
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	97.8%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100.0%	97.8%	95.0%

*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Mission Statement: A community of learners dedicated to student achievement.

Purpose: The purpose of Carolina Elementary School is to promote academic excellence in each student's life and to establish positive relationships with the entire learning community.

The steps that we take today lead to the successes of tomorrow.

PASS Goals: We are delighted to announce that Carolina Elementary met all the student achievement goals based on Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS) results. Our state report score was: Excellent (Absolute) and Average (Improvement). We scored higher than district and state averages in all grade levels. We did not meet Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) by achieving 15 out of 17 criteria. The data is posted on the district website (darlington.k12.sc.us) and the state website (scde.com). Honors: Carolina was honored as District Clean School of the Year for 2010-2011. Forty-one fifth graders were inducted into the National Junior Beta Club this year.

These students have an academic average of 90 or above and will be able to join the Beta Club at Hartsville Middle School next year. Carolina Elementary received Honorable Mention from the State Schools of Character in March.

Activities: In October, we enjoyed two family activities: the Coker 5K run for any student and parent who wanted to participate and our annual Parent Picnic where all parents were invited to eat a picnic lunch outside with their child. Our "Night of Excellence" was held in February with interactive activities in social studies for parents and students.

School Climate: As part of National Network of Partnering Schools (NNPS) we provided "Drive through Breakfast" to our parents twice during the year. Students enjoy Lunch Bunch, a time when parents and grandparents read aloud to them during their lunch period.

Technology: Carolina benefits from the Darlington County Technology Plan. Parents now have access to their children's grades through the Parent Portal, a web based program. Teachers received training in the new interactive software, ActivInspire. Teachers also received new "netbooks" to replace their laptops for instructional purposes.

Parent Organizations: This year, our goal was new equipment for the playground. In an effort to promote fitness and healthy living, the playground committee, and the PTO decided to raise funds for fitness equipment rather than play equipment for the playground. We received funding from the Byerly Foundation, Pioneering HEALTHIER Communities, Pee Dee Region, JBE and Carolina Elementary PTO. The students are excited about staying fit in a fun way.

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